

§ 1254.36 Donated historical materials.

The public use of donated historical materials is subject to restrictions on their use and availability as stated in writing by the donors or depositors of such materials and other restrictions imposed by statute. (Researchers are encouraged to confer with the appropriate director or reference staff member on any question of copyright.) In addition, use is subject to all conditions specified by the Archivist of the United States for purposes of archival preservation.

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Subpart D—Access to National Security Information

§ 1254.40 Access to national security information.

(a) Declassification of and public access to national security information and material, hereinafter referred to as “classified information” or collectively termed “information” is governed by Executive Order 12356 of April 2, 1982 (3 CFR, 1982 Comp., p. 166), the implementing Information Security Oversight Office Directive Number 1 of June 22, 1982 (47 FR 27836, June 25, 1982) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

(b) Public access to documents declassified in accordance with this regulation may be restricted or denied for other reasons under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552(b) for accessioned agency records; 36 CFR 1254.36 for donated historical materials; 44 U.S.C. 2201 *et seq.* and 36 CFR part 1270 for Presidential records; and 44 U.S.C. 2111 note and 36 CFR part 1275 for Nixon Presidential materials.

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§ 1254.44 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

(a) *Requests for access to national security information under the Freedom of Information Act.* Requests for access to national security information under the FOIA are processed in accordance with the provisions of 36 CFR part 1250. Time limits for responses to FOIA requests for national security information are those provided in the FOIA, rather than the longer time limits pro-

vided for responses to mandatory review requests specified by Executive Order 12958, Classified National Security Information (3 CFR, 1995 Comp., p. 333).

(b) *Agency action.* Upon receipt of a request forwarded by NARA for a determination regarding declassification, the agency with declassification responsibility shall:

(1) Advise whether the information should be declassified in whole or in part or should continue to be exempt from declassification;

(2) Provide a brief statement of the reason any requested information should not be declassified; and

(3) Return all reproductions referred for determination, including a copy of each document which should be released only in part, marked to indicate the portions which remain classified.

(c) *Denials and appeals.* Denials under FOIA of access to national security information accessioned into the National Archives of the United States are made by designated officials of the originating or responsible agency or by NARA under a written delegation of authority. You must appeal determinations that records remain classified for reasons of national security to the agency with responsibility for protecting and declassifying that information. NARA will provide you with the necessary appeal information in those cases.

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§ 1254.46 Public requests for mandatory review of classified information under Executive Order 12356.

United States citizens or permanent resident aliens, Federal agencies, or State or local governments wishing to request mandatory review of classified information that has been accessioned into the National Archives or donated to the Government may do so by describing the document or material containing the information with sufficient specificity to enable NARA to locate it with a reasonable amount of effort. When practicable, a request shall include the name of the originator and